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SECRETARY OF STATE AL ATER TO RELEASE VOTING SYSTEM EVALUATION RESULTS

BATON ROUGE, LA – Secretary of State Al Ater will announce the final recommendation of the Voting System Evaluation Committee at a press conference at 10:00 a.m. Monday, Oct. 31, at the Louisiana State Archives Building on Essen Lane.

On July 12, 2005, the Secretary of State's office issued a request for voting system proposals. Following a three-month exhaustive evaluation of the five bidders' qualifications, the nine-member committee has recommended a vendor to provide Louisiana's statewide voting system.

"I have accepted the recommendation of the committee," Ater said, "and I am awaiting the Office of State Purchasing's approval of the recommendation. Following Monday's announcement, the Office of State Purchasing will release the notice of 'Intent to Award' to the vendor, and we will begin contract negotiations."

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